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Young Man Shoots Self | Gun Play is Prevented | Will Initiate Schwab

BELLE VERNON YOUNG MAN FOUND DEAD WITH BULLET IN HIS BRAIN

Supposed to Have Shot Himself This Morning Shortly After Returning From Work.

FAMILY IS WELL KNOWN

Was Son of T. W. Croushore Well-to-do Land Owner--Employed at Pittsburg Steel Plant at Monessen

Elmer Croushore, about 28 years old, a well known young man of North Belle Vernon at 9 o'clock this morning shot and killed himself as the result, it is said, of domestic trouble. He committed the deed shortly after returning from work at the Pittsburg Steel mill.

Croushore was on night turn this week at the steel plant. This morning he returned home at the usual hour, and ate his breakfast. He seemed moody, it is stated, and remarked that he was going to his room. From his unusual silence and actions, members of the family were suspicious, and he was followed to his room shortly and the door was found locked.

While the members of the family were debating the unusualness of the occurrence a revolver shot rang out. The door was broken open and the young man was found on the floor, life extinct.

A bullet hole between the eyes showed that the leaden missle had pierced the brain and caused instant death.

Croushore belonged to a well to-do family. Recently his father, T. W. Croushore, it is stated, sold some valuable coal land and by the deal got considerable money. This, however is not generally considered to have had anything to do with the young man's act, but trouble of a domestic nature is blamed. Young Croushore married a Fayette City woman and they had a son five years old.

WILL DISTRIBUTE THE TREAT TONIGHT

The children of St. Mary's Episcopal Sunday school will have their service and Christmas tree in the church this evening at 7:30 p. m., Holy Innocents Night. The children will meet in the Sunday school room at 7 and will march promptly into the church at 7:30, singing one of their Christmas carols. All friends of the schoo' are cordially invited to meet with the children.

Charleroi Wins Two

In two goood games at the skating rink on Monday one in the afternoon, and one in the evening, the Charleroi team won from the Peerless Five of Pittsburg. The afternoon score was 39 to 8 and the evening 33 to 15.

Louis Beigel has gone to New York City and Orange, N.J. on a combined business and pleasure trip.

MOFFITT GETS BUICK MACHINE

County Controller Comes Into Possession of Fine Automobile

AN UNEXPECTED PRESENT

A $1,750 automob.le for 50 cents. It sounds good doesn't it? Well, that is just what County Controller John H. Moffitt paid for his five passenger Buick car.

Some time ago Mr. Moffit purchased a raffle ticket for the Buick machine from C. E. Frazier of the Hazel Atlas Glass company at Wheeling, W. Va. It was number 1,473. Yesterday Mr. Moffitt was called on the phone at Washington by Mr. Frazier and notified that he was the winner of the automobile. Mr. Moffit will go for the car some time this week.

PARSON FAMILY REUNES

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Parsons Greeted by Their Children.

BANQUET IS PROVIDED

One of the most pleasant family reunions on Christmas day was that of the family of Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Parsons. This reunion was remarkable because of the fact that there are thirty in the immediate family, parents, ten children and twelve grandchildren, all of whom were present on this occasion. During the day they all gathered at the home on Fallowfield avenue and at 6 o'clock in the evening went to the Hotel Monier as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cornell, where an elegant dinner was served.

The beautiful dining room at the Hotel Monier was used exclusively for the event. Tables were set in the form of a "T" and the members of the different families were arranged in groups. Tiny bells were used for place cards and the tables were prettily decorated with carnations and Christmas flowers, besides the beautiful lamps which Mr. West uses for festive occasions.

The following was the menu:

Oyster Cocktail a la Monier
Celery Hearts Queen Olives
Button Radishes
Consomme Brunoise
Fried Fille of Sole, Sauce Tartar
Sarah Bernhardt Potatoes
Hot House Cucumbers

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RUMPUS ON THIRD STREET RESULTS IN THE ARREST OF SIX

Timely Arrival of Police Brings to an End Affair Which Might Have Terminated Very Disastrously.

When Chief of Police C. W. Albright and one of his deputies appeared on the scene at the corner of Third street and McKean avenue, where a fight was in progress yesterday afternoon, things were getting decidedly interesting, and gun play was indicated. The affair, resulted from objections, it is stated of Samuel Heltebran to two foreigners loafing around his home.

From the story brought out at the hearing given six persons arrested in connection with the affair last night by Burgess Risbeck it appears that Salvatore Malina, hailing from Erie, and Tony Close of Charleroi, took a notion to visit the Heltebran premises when Mrs. Helteban was there. Her spouse learned of the affair and securing his brother's aid, went to the house with the avowed purpose of cleaning out the place. In the melee which followed somebody pulled a gun, it is said, which Mrs. Heltebran captured. Chief Albright received a hurry up call and arrived on the scene with Walter Lewis, a borough employ. All except one foreigner were captured, and he was run in a little later through the use of the patrol wagon. At the hearing last night Salvatore Malina and Tony Close were each fined $6 85. Samuel Heltebran $2.85 and Mrs. Heltebran was discharged.

ICE OUT OF RIVER

Good Shipping Stage of Water Now Along Monongahela.

Ice has entirely passed out of the fourth pool of the river and there is a good navigable stage, on which is being taken advantage of by coal companies. In some of the upper pools ice is still in the river, but it is thawing and moving out. The stage of water at Lock No. 4 is about 10 feet. The highet stage registered for the past several months was last Sunday, when 13 feet 8 inches was registered on the lower sill.

TWO COUPLES ARE WEDDED

Postlewait-Slater and Monschein-Gottheld Nuptials Occur

A pretty wedding which united the lives of Miss Grace Slater of Charleroi and Mark Postlewait of Punxsutawney, was performed last night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Meikle, 200 Oakland avenue. Rev. J. T. Hackett, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, performed the ceremony in the presence of a number of friends of the families. The bride is a well known and estimable young lady of Charleroi She has for some time been employed at the City Grocery store on Fifth street and Washington avenue. The groom is a popular young man of his home community. After a short trip the couple will go to Punxsutawney where they will reside.

Going quietly to Pittsburg last Saturday to the home of a minister, Miss Ella Gottheld of Charleroi and Herman Monschien of Tarentum were quietly married. The couple later returned to Charleroi to visit briefly before leaving for Tarentum to take up their residence. Both the bride and the groom are popular young people. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Catherine Gottheld of Fallowfield avenue. Mr. Monschien is an estimable young Tarentum man. The couple have the congratulations and best wishes of a host of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Matthews are spending the day in Pittsburg.

STUDENTS TO LEAVE

California Depopulated of Those Attending School Away.

With the coming of the holidays the following students were registered at home: Paul Barnum, in attendance at Kiski; Robert Long, Indiana Normal; Merril White, Allegheny college; Levi Lamb, Grove City; "Tillie" Dewar, University of Pittsburg; Earl Stewart, State; Olan Yarnall, Dickinson Law; and Misses Ruth Barnum and Mary Gregg, Emerson School of Oratory, Boston.

The skating rink located on lower Second street is nearing completion. It promises to be a capacious floor. Many young people are awaiting with eagerness the opening which the owners contempate for January 2, 1911.

California can now boast of having the finest station along the line. It is completed and will be opened the first of the year.

Mansfield Cupp, who was struck with a sled and injured a short time ago is able to be about. His arm is in a sling.

As a result of the icy pavements, Mrs. Ellen M. Richardson of Wood street fell and broke her wrist Saturday.

News reached here Sunday of the death of Samuel Fleming in Artesia, New Mexico. Winton Williams, his brother-in-law, has left for Artesia to convey the body home. California people remember Mr. Fleming as being former manger of the Pittsburg Mercantile store here. He was widely known and respected in this section. His parents reside at Bon Air, Pittsburg

Santa Claus was very much in evidence at the Presbyterian church Saturday evening. A delightful program had been prepared and was enjoyed extremely by the goodly crowd in attendance.

An enjoyable time was spent at the M. E. church Monday evening. A well prepared cantata was rendered by the pupils of the Sunday school.

Special Meeting

There will be a special meeting of the Lady Maccabees at P. H. C. hall Thursday evening, December 29. All members are requested to be present. Business of importance. 119t2

Mr. and Mrs. Arch Hormell of Ashtabula, Ohio, after a visit with relatives and friends here have returned home.

ANNIVERSARY REMEMBERED

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Barcus Celebrate Their Golden Wedding

RECEIVE MANY PRESENTS

Mr. and Mrs Jerry Barcus celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Christmas Day by a reunion of their children at their home on Seventh street. Beautiful gifts were presented to the popular couple. The entire day was spent by the guests at the Barcus home and after the turkey dinner an enjoyable time was had by the opening of presents among the various families. Those who were present were Mrs George Snyder and daughter of Toronto, Ohio, J. M. Whitlatch and daughter Miss Margarette and Mr. and Mrs. Frank John of Charleroi and Lewis Barcus, a brother of Mr. Barcus of near Parkersburg, W. Va.

TRIBUTES ARE PAID DECEASED

Funeral of Belle Vernon Banker Held Yesterday.

PROMINENT IN VALLEY

Impressive funeral services were conducted yesterday afternoon for S. Fell Jones of Belle Vernon, who died last Saturday night at 9:45 o'clock after a three months' illness. Mr. Jones was one of the foremost business men and financiers of the Monongahela valley. Hundreds of friends and business associates of the old-time banker and promoter of enterprises attended to pay honor to the man who had done so much to advance the interests of the community in which he lived. The services were conducted at the Jones homestead on Main street, adjoining the bank which he founded in 1872, by his pastor, Rev. Perrin Baker of the First Presbyterian church. The body was taken to Monongahela for interment. Among those present was Governor-elect John K. Tener, a friend of many years' standing.

New Year's Dance

Dance New Year's afternoon and evening, Monday, January 2, 1911, Bank of Charleroi Hall. Dancing from 2 to 5 and 7:30 to 1 o'clock. Jenkins Orchestra. 118t6

Miss Gertrude Mook of Meadville is a visitor with friends in Charleroi.

Governor-Elect Tener Goes East Tonight With Party From Pittsburg Vicinity

CHARLEROI MAN ON TEAM

Degree Will be Confered on Class at South Bethlehem By Special Team From Various Lodges

Governor-elect J. K. Tener, Roland Brown and probably J. E. Masters will leave this evening for South Bethlehem, where tomorrow a number of distinguished men, including Charles M. Schwab, will be initiated into the B. P. O. Elks lodge there. A special team of which Mr. Brown is a member will confer the degree.

The local party with others from Pittsburg and other places will leave Pittsburg about 10 o'clock and will be met by a special car of Mr. Schwabs' at West Philadelphia. It is expected that the conferring of the degree will be one of the nicest affairs of Elkdom

On account of the prominence of Mr Schwab the initiation has created more than usual interest among Elks. Mr. Schwab is now president of the Bethlehem Steel company. Some years ago he was president of the United States Steel corporation

Governor-elect Tener has many friends among the people of Northumberland county, whom he has not seen since the time of his campaign. He is also acquainted with Mr. Schwab by whom he will be greeted.

SPEERS CHURCH GIVES PROGRAM

The entertainment given in the Speers M. E. church Christmas eve was one in which the promoters may take a just pride. From the opening song, "Merry Christmas" to the last number on the program there was not the slightest mistake on the part of a performer, and when, those little children, with head erect, and voices clear and distinct, recited their well learned lines the audience felt that they were well repaid for their trip to the little church. The entire program was beautifully arranged and there must have been some hard work on the part of the instructors in its preparation. Several young ladies and gentlemen took part in the entertainment, which lasted for more than an hour and a half, after which the distributing of presents that filled the large Christmas tree began, and there was not one little boy or girl who was forgotten by Santa Claus. There was nothing lacking in the management and Speers expects to have the same success when, on Washington's birthday, another entertainment will be given.

Mrs. Charles Umbel left today for Wilkinsburg where she willl spend a week with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Gillan.

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Dec. 28 In American History.

1825—General James Wilkinson, soldier in the Revolution, against the Indians and in the war of 1812, died; born 1757.

1901—Rear Admiral Francis Asbury Roe, U. S. N., retired, a veteran of the civil war, died; born 1823.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

(From noon today to noon tomorrow.) Sun sets 4:36, rises 7:20; moon rises 5:51 a. m.; moon's age, 27 days; 5:05 p. m., moon in conjunction with Mars, passing from west to east of the planet; planet Mercury visible.

Fads and Frills

Education, like woman's apparel, is subject to fads and frills. In the search for new and improved methods for teaching the young idea how to shoot many innovations are introduced, only to be abandoned after their impracticability has been demonstrated at the expense of the pupils on whom the experiment was tried as well as the taxpayers of the district. The pity of it is the loss in educational training by those who leave school at an early age and can never make up the loss incurred by an attempt to follow the fads and introduce the frills of what passes for modern methods.

Charleroi has been a sufferer in this respect, although not in recent years. Like many other districts we had a whirl with the vertical writing system, which was introduced in the schools for several years and incapacitated many a boy and girl from ever following commercial and business life because of not being able to write a rapid and legible hand. this method was at one time introduced into the Pittsburg schools only to be abandoned when it was learned That no bank or business house would employ a public school graduate because of the freak method of writing he had been taught. It was abandoned in Charleroi, but not until much harm had been done the pupil on whom the system had been inflicted.

Another fad perpetrated upon Charleroi was a series of freak arithmetics, which omitted all the rules for the various principles, as well as the systematic classification of the various departments in their regulation order. Some educator had conceived the idea that the proper method for teaching arithmatic was to get the pupil away from the text book. These text books taught no rules or principles, but gave problems in each promiscuously for the pupil to reason out by analysis. The result was that many left school with no knowledge of the various principles of arithmatic according to their proper classification, and could not refer to these principles in order to refresh their memories in after life, because they did not know how to find and apply them The freak text books were discarded after several years and a return was made to saner methods.

Dr. N. C. Schaffer's exhortation to eliminate from the school courses rather than add to them shows his proper appreciation of the needs of the common schools. In spite of increased expenditures and new and improved methods complaints are heard in all parts of the country that the public schools are not performing their proper function. This deficiency seems to exist among the pupils who drop out before their entrance to high school, rather than among those who enter the colleges. As but comparatively few public school pupils go through college, the idea is becoming prevalent that courses should not be based on a preliminary training for entrance to college, but to equip the pupil instead to go forth and grapple with the duties of life. For these the fads and frills are useless. More time and thoroughness are needed in the common branches, and Dr. Schaffer's idea will do much if carried out to increase the efficiency of the public schools for the practical duties of life.

A Farming State

Great as is Pennsylvania industrially the Commonwealth is greater still as a farming State. Were all the industries to be wiped out at one fell swoop, Pennsylvania would continue to rank as one of the most important States in the union, because of her agricultural standing and possibilities.

The farming statistics for Pennsylvania as taken by the recent census have not yet been announced, but the census of 1900 showed that the value of all farm property in the State was $1,051,629,173. In addition to all the great mining and manufacturing interests, 19,371,015 acres of land in the State were devoted to farming. A million and a half acres in the State were devoted to raising corn in 1909; a million and a half acres to wheat; over three million acres to hay; nearly a million acres to oats; over three hundred thousand acres to potatoes. Pennsylvania produces one-fourth of all the buckwheat raised in the United States. The State has a forty-second part of all the sheep in the United States, and produced nearly two million dollars' worth of wool last year.

Pennsylvania is one of the most important fruit producing States in the Union, and with the proper effort can attain the very front rank in that line. Last year the combined value of ten crops produced in the State reached nearly one hundred and sixty million dollars, or twenty-six million dollars more in value than all the bituminous coal mined in the State. Agricultural conditions in the State are constantly improving and great advances are being made in this department, which in the past, owing to the great impetus in industrial development, were somewhat neglected. Contrary to the general belief farming is easily the most important and vital industry in Pennsylvania at the present time, and it is destined to become greater still.

Rural Routes

Although the second town in size in the county Charleroi has no free rural postal delivery routes leading out into the country from this important industrial and commercial center. All postal communication with the farm district adjacent to the town must go elsewhere before it is routed for delivery by the free rural service. Charleroi had a delivery route at one time, but it was taken away from the town under circumstances that smacked strongly of a reprisal for not being "good" politicaly to the powers then in control of Washington county patronage. If punishment was designed it had its effect, for the loss was a severe one to Charleroi in a pecuniary way.

There is no reason now why this route can not be restored if the business interests of the town and all others interested will go after it. Next to trolley lines and good roads free rural routes rank in importance to a community. This is one of the things that will greatly benefit Charleroi and requires no capital. All that is necessary is for those interested to get to work. This might have been achieved some time ago if the proper effort had been made.

An American broke the airship record with the usual promptness.

ELECTRIC SPARKS

Cheerfulness is sanity, so of course it follows that the man who is not cheerful ie half looney.

A financier says that panics are past. He means past panics.

England has a question of the downward revision of the Lord now.

The Washington Herald says that at least the Democratic [illegible] to have made pork chops more popular. Not in this vicinity.

When the expression "capable of anything" is used it doesnot necessarily mean thoroughly capable.

John D. Rockefeller is said to have given two maids 30 cent aprons apiece as Christmas gifts. They tore them up. They might have sold them as relics and made some money not tainted.

It is said that sound sleep comes only to the righteous. How about the henpecked husband who has had a three nights vigil keeping the stillness of the night unbroken by trotting the room with the baby?

A Pennsylvania girl refused to tell a St. Louis judge her age, evidently forgetting one of the prerogatives of the State of Missouri.

Mr. Rockefeller stipulates that of the money he has given to the University of Chicago, a million and a half be used for building a chapel. The school probably would prefer a swimming pool.

One misfortune is for a man to find work where he is looking for it.

A Bunola man wants to collect money he paid for transportation on the P. and L. E. railroad. How nice that would be if that were a privilege enjoyed on all roads by everybody.

Up until Sunday it was not in the extreme height of fashion to wear a muffler. Now a man without a muffler doesn't have any friends.

PARSONS FAMILY REUNES

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Larded Tenderloin of Beef with Fresh Mushrooms
Green Peas Potato Croquettes
Roast Young Turkey Stuffed with Oysters
Cranberry Sauce
Waldorf Salad en Mayonnaise
English Plum Pudding, Brandy Sauce
Hot Mince Pie
Neapolitan Ice Cream Fruit Cake
Neufchatel Cheese Saltine Wafers
Fruits in Season
Cafe Noir

Guests from out-of-town were: Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hormell and children, Esther and Jack of Ashtabula, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. James G. Binns and children, William and Elma of Donora; and Dr. J. Kitts Parsons of McKeesport. Of the members of the family who reside in Charleroi are: Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Parsons and four children, Ben, Gladys, Robert and Lois; Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Clark; Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bowers and three children, James, Georgene and Dwight Frye; and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cornell and daughter, Jane Eleanor, and Misses Anna, Belle and Georgene, besides the parents at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Lewis Parsons were united in marriage February 26, 1867, forty-four years ago in the Christian church at Belle Vernon. Mrs. Parsons is the only daughter of the late A. P. Frye, who at one time owned the farm which now constitutes the upper end of the borough of Charleroi. Mr. Parsons was born in Jefferson county, Ohio, and met his wife when he was manager of the Knox nursery at Knoxville, Pittsburg. He is ex-tax collector of Charleroi Members of the family sometimes refer to themselves as of the "Tribe of Benjamin."

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Beallsville

Next Sunday, January 1, 1911, Rev. Dr. Henry C. Millington, pastor of the Beallsville M. E. church, will hold special services in the church at the regular hour for preaching, 10:30 a. m., for the benefit of the aged people of the community. Immediately after the ceremony the Holy Communion will be observed and the sermon incident will be delivered by Dr. Millington At the sevices there will be special music by the Beallsville quartet Besides his special sermon the day will mark the beginning of a series of revival meetings to be held in the church next week except on Saturday evening to which the people of the community are cordially invited to be present. At each of the meetings held the next week the quartet will render special music if possible.

The Christmas entertainment at Centerville on last Saturday evening was largely attended and was a most successful affair. Instead of the regular Christmas tree a ferris wheel was held instead, and the congregation of the Centerville M. E church presented the pastor, Rev. Millington, with a fine donation. One article, a fine parlor table, is worthy of special mention.

Don Hawkins of this place, has received an interesting letter from Robert Tannehill of Canonsburg, who is spending the winter at Los Angeles, California. Mr. Tannehill is a well known Washington county boy. Los Angeles, he states, is a fine place to live, and although he disliked it at first he now thinks it fine. Although he says that mountain climbing is very enjoyable, he much prefers to stay on the lower regions of terra firma Mr. Tannehill before returning home will likely visit other western States but says that California is without doubt an ideal place to live, where the resorts are numberless and one is always in "the blessed sunshine."

A sled load of young people from Deemston attended the Christmas entertainment held at the Beallsville Methodist Episcopal church on Sunday evening.

North Charleroi

W. A. Guiler lately of Eldora has removed to North Charleroi hill.

Mrs. J. O. Watson and daughter, Miss Hazel, spent Tuesday in Pittsburg.

Miss Rebecca Winer spent Sunday in Monessen with friends.

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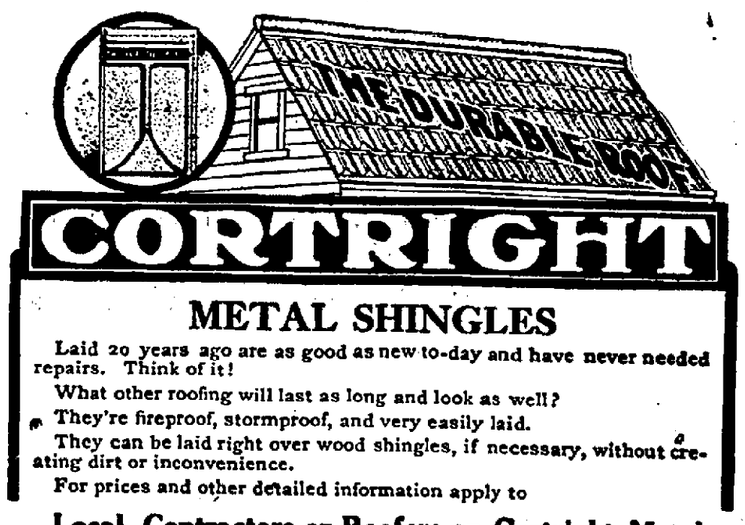

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BATTLES WITH LOCUSTS.

In 1780 an Army Was Arrayed Against the Ravaging Pests.

Since the days of the Pharaohs the locust has been an unmitigated plague. Pliny relates that in many places in Greece a law obliged the inhabitants to wage war against the insects three times a year—i. e., in their various states of egg, larvae and adult.

In 1749 locusts stopped the army of Charles XII., king of Sweden, as it was retreating from Bessarabia after its defeat at Poltava. The king at first imagined that he was being assailed by a terrific hailstorm.

In Transylvania in 1730 the ravages of the locusts assumed such disastrous proportions that the army had actually to be called out to deal with the pests, and whole regiments of soldiers were employed gathering them up and putting them into sacks.

A weird, uncanny looking customer is the locust. The general color-scheme of his body is a kind of indefinite green, relieved by pink legs and wings of a whitish color. Two huge, blank, unmeaning eyes give an expression of utter imbecility to the insect's countenance.

To atone in a measure for their destructive proclivities the locusts are edible. The Arabs are particularly fond of them. Camels, to which they are given after being dried and roasted between two layers of ashes, look upon locusts as great delicacies.

The flavor resembles that of crabs, and in Bagdad they are consumed so extensively as to affect the price of meat.—Stray Stories.

RIVERS OF ALASKA.

The Waterway Wonders of This Immense Territory.

Were the rivers not navigable there would be little done in the interior of Alaska today. First used by the prospector in his poling boat and the trader with his little steamer, they have become the means of opening up every camp that has been struck in the interior of Alaska.

The Yukon is very shallow at its mouth, which is about seventy miles in width across its delta. There are places 400 miles from the mouth of the river where the biggest Atlantic liners could navigate with ease, for there are soundings which show a ninety foot channel in a mile wide river. The Yukon is navigable for 2,100 miles. The Kuskoquim, a sister stream, has been navigated only on the lower reaches, but with its navigable branches is believed to have 1,000 miles of navigable water. The Tanana has been ascended for 500 miles and the Koyukuk in excess of that figure. Scores of other streams can be used by small steamers for from twenty-five to 200 miles. Altogether it is safe to say there are 5,000 miles of navigable streams in Alaska. The Yukon opens for navigation the latter part of May and closes the latter part of October.

But with all its wealth of gold, its unheard call to toilers of the soil, its mountains studded with gems of riches—the lodes of veins of copper and other materials—this empire starves for the one thing that would make it thrive.—Collier's.

The Name Noah.

Not many persons are sufficiently acquainted with the Bible to know that Noah was the name of a woman as well as of the patriarch. At an inquest in England a female witness gave her Christian name as "Noah." The coroner remarked that he had never before known a woman to bear the name, whereupon the witness, who was well posted in the origin of her singular prenomen, said:

"It is a Bible name, sir; you'll find it in the last chapter of the book of Numbers."

Reference was duly made, and in the eleventh verse of the thirty-sixth chapter the coroner found mention made of "Mahlah, Tirzah and Hoglah and Milcah and Noah, the daughters of Zelophehad."

Betrothals In Germany.

In Germany an elaborate method of announcing the betrothal practically puts an end to all breach of promise cases. As soon as a couple become engaged the pair visit the town hall and declare their willingness to marry and sign, with witnesses, a series of documents which render a change of mind on the man's part practically out of the question. When either party wishes to withdraw from this agreement the pair again visit the town hall and additional documents are formally signed, witnessed and sealed. The authorities then determine the question of compensation for injured feelings, etc.

Ready For the Storm.

"I intend," the poet wrote, "to continue to storm the citadel of your affections."

"Storm away," she wrote back, "but I've just succeeded in getting in out of the wet by becoming engaged to a dear old man who has $9,000,000."—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

The Smaller One.

Many stories are told of Tom Reed's sudden flashes of wit—as, for instance, when Miss Reed struck the earth instead of the golf ball and he said, "Hit the other ball, Kitty."—Portland (Me.) Express.

An Instance.

"We don't realize how much a thing's worth till we've lost it."

"That's right. For instance, my life is insured for $10,000."—Exchange.

No man is such a conqueror as the man who has defeated himself.—Beecher.

Fire Sale Still On

Although the buying since we re-opened on December 22nd has been heavy, we yet have an

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As before, they will send you a 10 pound pail of finest Creamery Butterine at $2.00. As this is regular 23c Butterine, and cheap at that; you save 30c on each order.

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The third offer takes 10 lbs of Butterine, 5 lbs of 25c Coffee and 1 lb of 75c Tea all for $3.50, or a saving of 85 cents.

A fourth offer includes the 10 lbs of Butterine and 3 lbs of 40c Tea at $3.00, or a saving of 50 c. Take your choice of Ceylon, English Breakfast, Assam, Oolong, Japan or Young Hyson teas.

These values are guaranteed and are certain to please you. Send cash for a trial order to McCann and Co., Pittsburg, Pa. They pay express charges to Charleroi and vicinity.

Notice of Election

The regular annual meeting of the stock holders of the First National Bank of Charleroi, Pa., will be held at its banking rooms on Tuesday, January 10, 1911, between the hours of 2 and 3 p. m. for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of any other business which might properly come before them.

J-10 R. H. Rush, Cashier.

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has not affected our job printing prices. We're still doing commercial work of all kinds at prices satisfactory to you.

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After Christmas Reductions

Now that Christmas is over, we trust that all have enjoyed a Merry Christmas, that each one has recieved one of the beautiful as well as, useful presents purchased at this store, and that you will come in and see the reductions on Christmas goods. All articles that have survived the search of gift seekers go **at greatly reduced prices.**

Combination Sets

Tie, handkerceief and sox, were 1.50 now $1.00
Tie, handkerchief and sox, were 1.00 now 75c
Tie and handkerchief, were 1.00, now...75c
Tie and handkerchief, were 75c, now....50c
Suspender, garter and armband, were 1.00, now.....75c
Suspender, garter and armband, were 75c, now.....50c
Neckwear in separate boxes, the new Persian designs and many others, were 75c. now 50c
Silk suspenders, were 1.50, now.....$1.00
Suspenders, were 1.00 now.....75c
Suspenders, were 75c, now.....50c
Silk Mufflers, square and reefer 1-3 off.
Bath robes and smoking jackets 1-3 off.
Suit cases and bags 20 per cent. off.
One lot of men's and boys, four-in-hands 19c

Suits and Furs

We are showing a complete line of tailor-made suits for women and misses, all of which go at a great reduction. You can't afford to miss these values. Our sizes are unbroken and we can fit you all.

Fur Sets—furs to suit any one. The beautiful toy muffs and scarfs for baby, the misses' fur sets for the misses' and furs for the women. They are all reduced and none need be without these winter comforts.

Don't miss these After-Christmas Bargains. They are money-savers.

Dolls and Toys We have an assortment of Christmas toys and dolls, left from our large Christmas selection, which we are selling at greatly reduced prices. This assortment includes our beautiful and serviceable line of children's rockers and chairs, doll carts and many other useful things, that serve to make the child comfortable and contented.

A General Reduction Throughout our store anything of a Christmas nature is going at greatly reduced prices. Now is the time for you to make your dollars reach as far as you can. If you do your After-Christmas shopping here, you will be surprised how far your dollars will reach.

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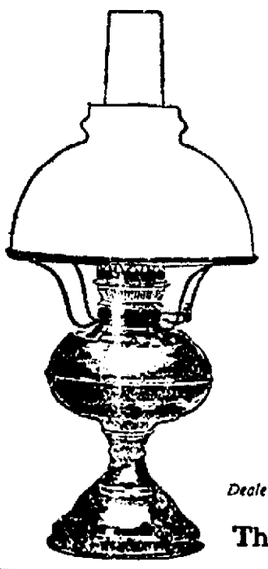

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LOCAL MENTION

Interesting News Items Condensed for Busy Readers.

Mrs. William Vance of near Carmichaels after a visit in Charleroi with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Reeves of Fallowfield avenue, returned home this morning.

George Anderson and Thomas Marshall of Monongahela were in Charleroi last night to visit friends.

Cresson Carts of Baltimore, Md., is a guest of his cousins, Misses May and Ethel Barth of Washington avenue.

Alexander McKay and daughter, Miss Henrietta of Westville, have been guests of Mr. McKay's son Dr. E. W. McKay of Washington avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Brown have returned to their home in McKeesport after a visit over Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Flickinger.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Flickinger of Homewood have returned home after a visit in Charleroi with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McDermott of Clarksburg, W. Va., after spending Christmas with their people in Charleroi have returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Elliott of Meadow avenue received a large turkey for Christmas shipped from Artesia, New Mexico. The turkey was raised by the children of Wm. Parks and sent as a Christmas present to their grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stech went to Pittsburg today for a visit with friends.

Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Manon and son Paul are visitors in Pittsburg today at the poultry show.

Miss Jennie Elliott is spending the day in Finleyville with friends.

Misse Grace and Helen Fleming went to Pittsburg this morning for a visit with friends.

MUCH INTEREST IS MANIFESTED

Revival Services Continue at W. A. Presbyterian Church

At the Tuesday night meeting of the two week's revival at the Washington Avenue Presbyterian church, Rev. Murry C. Reiter of Canonsburg preached on the text of Jesus curing the deaf and dumb man. Special music was furnished by the choir and Warren Kinder sang a solo. The minister in his discourse said in part:

"Jesus is our example in all things and he is our pattern in service. Let us look at Christ, discover his method in working this cure and learn of him. Prayer and communion is the condition of power and fitness for service. I tell you friends we Christian people must care—we used to see sin as Jesus saw it, and the church must show the word that it cares. Many a person might cry out and the cry would be the truth so far as any outward evidence is concerned. 'No man careth for my soul.' Our depth of feeling will be largely the measure of our success. We must come near to men, and touch them personally with a helpful Christlike touch if we are to lift them away from their sin."

CHRISTMAS CANTATA WILL BE REPEATED

On account of the success of the cantata "Santa's Mixup," produced under the direction of Prof. I. T. Daniel at the First Presbyterian church Monday evening, it will be repeated on next Monday evening. The cantata contains some exceptionally good music and the choruses are much above the ordinary. The argument is an interesting one.

Classified Ads

FOR RENT—House 2 rooms, 424 Lincoln avenue near Fifth street. 119t4p

WANTED—Girl for general housework Apply Jacob Schwartz, 517 Fallowfield avenue, Charleroi. 117tf

LOST—Small gold enameled pin with amethyst settings. Return to M. T. Crowley, 333 McKean avenue, and receive reward. 118t2

LSOT—Roll of money on Friday evening December 23 between Lincoln and Crest avenue on Fifth street. Finder leave at this office and receive reward. 115t2p

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Special $2 95

Men's Working Shoes

Heavy ones for mine or mill work, regular 2.25 grade

Special 98c

Jockey Boots

All colors, cuff tops, sizes 4 to 8. A special price, 2.00 values

Now $1.29

Ladies' Shoes

Good ones, regular 2.50 and 3.00 values. Tan, black, kid or dull leather, regular 3.50 values

Special $1.69

Misses' School Shoes

Sizes 11 1-2 to 2, good heavy ones, our own 2.00 grades

Special $1.19

Rubbers for Ladies

Regular 65c and 75c rubbers

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Young Man Shoots Self | Gun Play is Prevented | Will Initiate Schwab

BELLE VERNON YOUNG MAN FOUND DEAD WITH BULLET IN HIS BRAIN

Supposed to Have Shot Himself This Morning Shortly After Returning From Work.

FAMILY IS WELL KNOWN

Was Son of T. W. Croushore Well-to-do Land Owner--Employed at Pittsburg Steel Plant at Monessen

Elmer Croushore, about 28 years old, a well known young man of North Belle Vernon at 9 o'clock this morning shot and killed himself as the result, it is said, of domestic trouble. He committed the deed shortly after returning from work at the Pittsburg Steel mill.

Croushore was on night turn this week at the steel plant. This morning he returned home at the usual hour, and ate his breakfast. He seemed moody, it is stated, and remarked that he was going to his room. From his unusual silence and actions, members of the family were suspicious, and he was followed to his room shortly and the door was found locked.

While the members of the family were debating the unusualness of the occurrence a revolver shot rang out. The door was broken open and the young man was found on the floor, life extinct.

A bullet hole between the eyes showed that the leaden missle had pierced the brain and caused instant death.

Croushore belonged to a well to-do family. Recently his father, T. W. Croushore, it is stated, sold some valuable coal land and by the deal got considerable money. This, however is not generally considered to have had anything to do with the young man's act, but trouble of a domestic nature is blamed. Young Croushore married a Fayette City woman and they had a son five years old.

WILL DISTRIBUTE THE TREAT TONIGHT

The children of St Mary's Episcopal Sunday school will have their service and Christmas tree in the church this evening at 7:30 p m., Holy Innocents Night. The children will meet in the Sunday school room at 7 and will march promptly into the church at 7:30, singing one of their Christmas carols. All friends of the schoo' are cordially invited to meet with the children.

Charleroi Wins Two

In two goood games at the skating rink on Monday one in the afternoon, and one in the evening, the Charleroi team won from the Peerless Five of Pittsburg. The afternoon score was 39 to 8 and the evening 33 to 15.

Louis Beigel has gone to New York City and Orange, N.J. on a combined business and pleasure trip.

MOFFITT GETS BUICK MACHINE

County Controller Comes Into Possession of Fine Automobile

AN UNEXPECTED PRESENT

A $1,750 automobile for 50 cents. It sounds good doesn't it? Well, that is just what County Controller John H. Moffitt paid for his five passenger Buick car.

Some time ago Mr. Moffit purchased a raffle ticket for the Buick machine from C. E. Frazier of the Hazel Atlas Glass company at Wheeling, W. Va. It was number 1,473. Yesterday Mr. Moffitt was called on the phone at Washington by Mr. Frazier and notified that he was the winner of the automobile. Mr. Moffit will go for the car some time this week.

PARSON FAMILY REUNES

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Parsons Greeted by Their Children.

BANQUET IS PROVIDED

One of the most pleasant family reunions on Christmas day was that of the family of Mr and Mrs. B. L. Parsons. This reunion was remarkable because of the fact that there are thirty in the immediate family, parents, ten children and twelve grandchildren, all of whom were present on this occasion. During the day they all gathered at the home on Fallowfield avenue and at 6 o'clock in the evening went to the Hotel Monier as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cornell, where an elegant dinner was served.

The beautiful dining room at the Hotel Monier was used exclusively for the event. Tables were set in the form of a "T" and the members of the different families were arranged in groups. Tiny bells were used for place cards and the tables were prettily decorated with carnations and Christmas flowers, besides the beautiful lamps which Mr. West uses for festive occasions.

The following was the menu:

Oyster Cocktail a la Monier
Celery Hearts Queen Olives
Button Radishes
Consomme Brunoise
Fried Fille of Sole, Sauce Tartar
Sarah Bernhardt Potatoes
Hot House Cucumbers

(Continued on Second Page).

RUMPUS ON THIRD STREET RESULTS IN THE ARREST OF SIX

Timely Arrival of Police Brings to an End Affair Which Might Have Terminated Very Disastrously.

When Chief of Police C. W. Albright and one of his deputies appeared on the scene at the corner of Third street and McKean avenue, where a fight was in progress yesterday afternoon, things were getting decidedly interesting, and gun play was indicated. The affair, resulted from objections, it is stated of Samuel Heltebran to two foreigners loafing around his home.

From the story brought out at the hearing given six persons arrested in connection with the affair last night by Burgess Risbeck it appears that Salvatore Malina, hailing from Erie, and Tony Close of Charleroi, took a notion to visit the Heltebran premises when Mrs. Heltenan was there. Her spouse learned of the affair and securing his brother's aid, went to the house with the avowed purpose of cleaning out the place. In the melee which followed somebody pulled a gun, it is said, which Mrs. Heltebran captured. Chief Albright received a hurry up call and arrived on the scene with Walter Lewis, a borough employ. All except one foreigner were captured, and he was run in a little later through the use of the patrol wagon. At the hearing last night Salvatore Malina and Tony Close were each fined $6 85. Samuel Heltebran $2 85 and Mrs. Heltebran was discharged.

ICE OUT OF RIVER

Good Shipping Stage of Water Now Along Monongahela.

Ice has entirely passed out of the fourth pool of the river and there is a good navigable stage, on which is being taken advantage of by coal companies. In some of the upper pools ice is still in the river, but it is thawing and moving out. The stage of water at Lock No. 4 is about 10 feet. The highet stage registered for the past several months was last Sunday, when 13 feet 8 inches was registered on the lower sill.

TWO COUPLES ARE WEDDED

Postlewait-Slater and Monschein-Gottheld Nuptials Occur

A pretty wedding which united the lives of Miss Grace Slater of Charleroi and Mark Postlewait of Punxsutawney, was performed last night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Meikle, 200 Oakland avenue. Rev. J. T. Hackett, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, performed the ceremony in the presence of a number of friends of the families. The bride is a well known and estimable young lady of Charleroi. She has for some time been employed at the City Grocery store on Fifth street and Washington avenue. The groom is a popular young man of his home community. After a short trip the couple will go to Punxsutawney where they will reside.

Going quietly to Pittsburg last Saturday to the home of a minister, Miss Ella Gottheld of Charleroi and Herman Monschien of Tarentum were quietly married. The couple later returned to Charleroi to visit briefly before leaving for Tarentum to take up their residence. Both the bride and the groom are popular young people. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Catherine Gottheld of Fallonfield avenue. Mr. Monschien is an estimable young Tarentum man. The couple have the congratulations and best wishes of a host of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Matthews are spending the day in Pittsburg.

STUDENTS TO LEAVE

California Depopulated of Those Attending School Away.

With the coming of the holidays the following students were registered at home: Paul Barnum, in attendance at Kiski, Robert Long, Indiana Normal; Merril White, Allegheny college; Levi Lamb, Grove City; "Tillie" Dewar, University of Pittsburg, Earl Stewart, State, Olan Yarnall, Dickinson Law; and Misses Ruth Barnum and Mary Gregg, Emerson School of Oratory, Boston.

The skating rink located on lower Second street is nearing completion. It promises to be a capacious floor. Many young people are awaiting with eagerness the opening which the owners contempate for January 2, 1911.

California can now boast of having the finest station along the line. It is completed and will be opened the first of the year.

Mansfield Cupp, who was struck with a sled and injured a short time ago is able to be about. His arm is in a sling.

As a result of the icy pavements, Mrs. Ellen M. Richardson of Wood street fell and broke her wrist Saturday.

News reached here Sunday of the death of Samuel Fleming in Artesia, New Mexico. Winton Williams, his brother-in-law, has left for Artesia to convey the body home. California people remember Mr. Fleming as being former manger of the Pittsburg Mercantile store here. He was widely known and respected in this section. His parents reside at Bon Air, Pittsburg.

Santa Claus was very much in evidence at the Presbyterian church Saturday evening. A delightful program had been prepared and was enjoyed extremely by the goodly crowd in attendance.

An enjoyable time was spent at the M. E. church Monday evening. A well prepared cantata was rendered by the pupils of the Sunday school.

Special Meeting

There will be a special meeting of the Lady Maccabees at P. H. C. hall Thursday evening, December 29. All members are requested to be present. Business of importance. 119t2

Mr. and Mrs. Arch Hormell of Ashtabula, Ohio, after a visit with relatives and friends here have returned home.

ANNIVERSARY REMEMBERED

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Barcus Celebrate Their Golden Wedding

RECEIVE MANY PRESENTS

Mr and Mrs Jerry Barcus celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Christmas Day by a reunion of their children at their home on Seventh street. Beautiful gifts were presented to the popular couple. The entire day was spent by the guests at the Barcus home and after the turkey dinner an enjoyable time was had by the opening of presents among the various families. Those who were present were Mrs. George Snyder and daughter of Toledo, Ohio, J. M. Whitlatch and daughter Miss Margarette and Mr. and Mrs. Frank John of Charleroi and Lewis Barcus, a brother of Mr. Barcus of near Parkersburg, W. Va.

TRIBUTES ARE PAID DECEASED

Funeral of Belle Vernon Banker Held Yesterday.

PROMINENT IN VALLEY

Impressive funeral services were conducted yesterday afternoon for S. Fell Jones of Belle Vernon, who died last Saturday night at 9:45 o'clock after a three months' illness. Mr. Jones was one of the foremost business men and financiers of the Monongahela valley. Hundreds of friends and business associates of the old time banker and promoter of enterprises attended to pay honor to the man who had done so much to advance the interests of the community in which he lived. The services were conducted at the Jones homestead on Main street, adjoining the bank which he founded in 1872, by his pastor, Rev. Perrin Baker of the First Presbyterian church. The body was taken to Monongahela for interment. Among those present was Governor-elect John K. Tener, a friend of many years' standing.

New Year's Dance

Dance New Year's afternoon and evening, Monday, January 2, 1911, Bank of Charleroi Hall. Dancing from 2 to 5 and 7.30 to 1 o'clock. Jenkins Orchestra. 118t6

Miss Gertrude Mook of Meadville is a visitor with friends in Charleroi.

Governor-Elect Tener Goes East Tonight With Party From Pittsburg Vicinity

CHARLEROI MAN ON TEAM

Degree Will be Confered on Class at South Bethlehem By Special Team From Various Lodges

Governor-elect J. K. Tener, Roland Brown and probably J. E. Masters will leave this evening for South Bethlehem, where tomorrow a number of distinguished men, including Charles M. Schwab, will be initiated into the B. P. O. Elks lodge there. A special team of which Mr. Brown is a member will confer the degree.

The local party with others from Pittsburg and other places will leave Pittsburg about 10 o'clock and will be met by a special car of Mr. Schwabs' at West Philadelphia. It is expected that the conferring of the degree will be one of the nicest affairs of Elkdom.

On account of the prominence of Mr. Schwab the initiation has created more than usual interest among Elks. Mr. Schwab is now president of the Bethlehem Steel company. Some years ago he was president of the United States Steel corporation.

Governor-elect Tener has many friends among the people of Northumberland county, whom he has not seen since the time of his campaign. He is also acquainted with Mr. Schwab by whom he will be greeted.

SPEERS CHURCH GIVES PROGRAM

The entertainment given in the Speers M. E. church Christmas eve was one in which the promoters may take a just pride. From the opening song, "Merry Christmas" to the last number on the program there was not the slightest mistake on the part of a performer, and when, those little children, with head erect, and voices clear and distinct, recited their well learned lines the audience felt that they were well repaid for their trip to the little church. The entire program was beautifully arranged and there must have been some hard work on the part of the instructors in its preparation. Several young ladies and gentlemen took part in the entertainment, which lasted for more than an hour and a half, after which the distributing of presents that filled the large Christmas tree began, and there was not one little boy or girl who was forgotten by Santa Claus. There was nothing lacking in the management and Speers expects to have the same success when, on Washington's birthday, another entertainment will be given.

Mrs. Charles Umbel left today for Wilkinsburg where she will spend a week with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Gillan.

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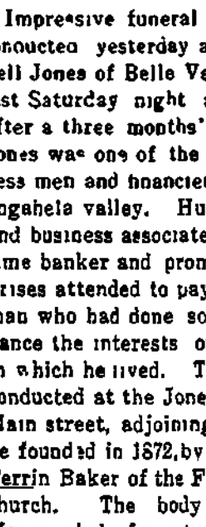

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Dec. 28 In American History.

1825—General James Wilkinson, soldier in the Revolution, against the Indians and in the war of 1812, died; born 1757.

1901—Rear Admiral Francis Asbury Roe, U. S. N., retired, a veteran of the civil war, died; born 1823.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

(From noon today to noon tomorrow.) Sun sets 4:36, rises 7:20; moon rises 5:51 a. m.; moon's age, 27 days; 5:05 p. m., moon in conjunction with Mars, passing from west to east of the planet; planet Mercury visible.

Fads and Frills

Education, like woman's apparel, is subject to fads and frills. In the research for new and improved methods for teaching the young idea how to shoot many innovations are introduced, only to be abandoned after their impracticability has been demonstrated at the expense of the pupils on whom the experiment was tried as well as the taxpayers of the district. The pity of it is the loss in educational training by those who leave school at an early age and can never make up the loss incurred by an attempt to follow the fads and introduce the frills of what passes for modern methods.

Charleroi has been a sufferer in this respect, although not in recent years. Like many other districts we had a whirl with the vertical writing system, which was introduced in the schools for several years and incapacitated many a boy and girl from ever following commercial and business life because of not being able to write a rapid and legible hand. this method was at one time introduced into the Pittsburg schools only to be abandoned when it was learned That no bank or business house would employ a public school graduate because of the freak method of writing he had been taught. It was abandoned in Charleroi, but not until much harm had been done the pupil on whom the system had been inflicted.

Another fad perpetrated upon Charleroi was a series of freak arithmetics, which omitted all the rules for the various principles, as well as the systematic classification of the various departments in their regulation order. Some educator had conceived the idea that the proper method for teaching arithmatic was to get the pupil away from the text book. These text books taught no rules or principles, but gave problems in each promiscuously for the pupil to reason out by only is. The result was that many left school with no knowledge of the various principles of arithmatic according to their proper classification, and could not refer to these principles in order to refresh their memories in after life, because they did not know how to find and apply them The freak text books were discarded after several years and a return was made to saner methods.

Dr. N. C. Schaffer's exhortation to eliminate from the school courses rather than add to them shows his proper appreciation of the needs of the common schools. In spite of increased expenditures and new and improved methods complaints are heard in all parts of the country that the public schools are not performing their proper function. This deficiency seems to exist among the pupils who drop out before their entrance to high school, rather than among those who enter the colleges. As but comparatively few public school pupils go through college, the idea is becoming prevalent that courses should not be based on a preliminary training for entrance to college, but to equip the pupil instead to go forth and grapple with the duties of life. For these the fads and frills are useless. More time and thoroughness are needed in the common branches, and Dr. Schaffer's idea will do much if carried out to increase the efficiency of the public schools for the practical duties of life.

A Farming State

Great as is Pennsylvania industrially the Commonwealth is greater still as a farming State. Were all the industries to be wiped out at one fell swoop, Pennsylvania would continue to rank as one of the most important States in the union, because of her agricultural standing and possibilities.

The farming statistics for Pennsylvania as taken by the recent census have not yet been announced, but the census of 1900 showed that the value of all farm property in the State was $1,051,629,173. In addition to all the great mining and manufacturing interests, 19,371,015 acres of land in the State were devoted to farming. A million and a half acres in the State were devoted to raising corn in 1909; a million and a half acres to wheat; over three million acres to hay; nearly a million acres to oats; over three hundred thousand acres to potatoes. Pennsylvania produces one-fourth of all the buckwheat raised in the United States. The State has a forty-second part of all the sheep in the United States, and produced nearly two million dollars' worth of wool last year.

Pennsylvania is one of the most important fruit producing States in the Union, and with the proper effort can attain the very front rank in that line. Last year the combined value of ten crops produced in the State reached nearly one hundred and sixty million dollars, or twenty-six million dollars more in value than all the bituminous coal mined in the State. Agricultural conditions in the State are constantly improving and great advances are being made in this department, which in the past, owing to the great impetus in industrial development, were somewhat neglected. Contrary to the general belief farming is easily the most important and vital industry in Pennsylvania at the present time, and it is destined to become greater still.

Rural Routes

Although the second town in size in the county Charleroi has no free rural postal delivery routes leading out into the country from this important industrial and commercial center. All postal communication with the farm district adjacent to the town must go elsewhere before it is routed for delivery by the free rural service. Charleroi had a delivery route at one time, but it was taken away from the town under circumstances that smacked strongly of a reprisal for not being "good" politicaly to the powers then in control of Washington county patronage. If punishment was designed it had its effect, for the loss was a severe one to Charleroi in a pecuniary way.

There is no reason now why this route can not be restored if the business interests of the town and all others interested will go after it. Next to trolley lines and good roads free rural routes rank in importance to a community. This is one of the things that will greatly benefit Charleroi and requires no capital. All that is necessary is for those interested to get to work. This might have been achieved some time ago if the proper effort had been made.

An American broke the airship record with the usual promptness.

ELECTRIC SPARKS

Cheerfulness is sanity, so of course it follows that the man who is not cheerful is half looney.

A financier says that panics are past. He means past panics.

England has a question of the downward revision of the Lord now.

The Washington Herald says that at least the Democratic [illegible] to have made pork chops more popular. Not in this vicinity.

When the expression "capable of anything" is used it doesnot necessarily mean thoroughly capable.

John D. Rockefeller is said to have given two maids 30 cent aprons apiece as Christmas gifts. They tore them up. They might have sold them as relics and made some money not tainted.

It is said that sound sleep comes only to the righteous. How about the henpecked husband who has had a three nights vigil keeping the stillness of the night unbroken by trotting the room with the baby?

A Pennsylvania girl refused to tell a St. Louis judge her age, evidently forgetting one of the prerogatives of the State of Missouri.

Mr. Rockefeller stipulates that of the money he has given to the University of Chicago, a million and a half be used for building a chapel. The school probably would prefer a swimming pool.

One misfortune is for a man to find work where he is looking for it.

A Bucyrus man wants to collect money he paid for transportation on the P. and L. E. railroad. How nice that would be if that were a privilege enjoyed on all roads by everybody.

Up until Sunday it was not in the extreme height of fashion to wear a muffler. Now a man without a muffler doesn't have any friends.

PARSONS FAMILY REUNES

(Continued from First Page).

Larded Tenderloin of Beef with Fresh Mushrooms
Green Peas Potato Croquettes
Roast Young Turkey Stuffed with Oysters
Cranberry Sauce
Waldorf Salad en Mayonnaise
English Plum Pudding, Brandy Sauce
Hot Mince Pie
Neapolitan Ice Cream Fruit Cake
Neufchatel Cheese Saltine Wafers
Fruits in Season
Cafe Noir

Guests from out-of-town were: Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hormell and children, Esther and Jack of Ashtabula, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. James G. Binns and children, William and Elma of Donora; and Dr. J. Kitts Parsons of McKeesport. Of the members of the family who reside in Charleroi are: Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Parsons and four children, Ben, Gladys, Robert and Lois; Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Clark; Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bowers and three children, James, Georgene and Dwight Frye; and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cornell and daughter, Jane Eleanor, and Misses Anna, Belle and Georgene, besides the parents at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Lewis Parsons were united in marriage February 26, 1867, forty-four years ago in the Christian church at Belle Vernon. Mrs. Parsons is the only daughter of the late A. P. Frye, who at one time owned the farm which now constitutes the upper end of the borough of Charleroi. Mr. Parsons was born in Jefferson county, Ohio, and met his wife when he was manager of the Knox nursery at Knoxville, Pittsburg He is ex-tax collector of Charleroi Members of the family sometimes refer to themselves as of the "Tribe of Benjamin."

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Beallsville

Next Sunday, January 1, 1911, Rev. Dr. Henry C. Millington, pastor of the Beallsville M. E. church, will hold special services in the church at the regular hour for preaching, 10:30 a. m., for the benefit of the aged people of the community. Immediately after the ceremony the Holy Communion will be observed and the sermon incident will be delivered by Dr. Millington. At the sevices there will be special music by the Beallsville quartet Besides his special sermon the day will mark the beginning of a series of revival meetings to be held in the church next week except on Saturday evening to which the people of the community are cordially invited to be present. At each of the meetings held the next week the quartet will render special music if possible.

The Christmas entertainment at Centerville on last Saturday evening was largely attended and was a most successful affair. Instead of the regular Christmas tree a ferris wheel was held instead, and the congregation of the Centerville M. E church presented the pastor, Rev. Millington, with a fine donation. One article, a fine parlor table, is worthy of special mention.

Dan Hawkins of this place, has received an interesting letter from Robert Tannehill of Canonsburg, who is spending the winter at Los Angeles, California. Mr. Tannehill is a well known Washington county boy. Los Angeles, he states, is a fine place to live, and although he disliked it at first he now thinks it fine. Although he says that mountain climbing is very enjoyable, he much prefers to stay on the lower regions of terra firma Mr. Tannehill before returning home will likely visit other western States but says that California is without doubt an ideal place to live, where the resorts are numberless and one is always in "the blessed sunshine."

A sled load of young people from Deemston attended the Christmas entertainment held at the Beallsville Methodist Episcopal church on Sunday evening.

North Charleroi

W. A. Guiler lately of Eldora has removed to North Charleroi hill.

Mrs. J. O. Watson and daughter, Miss Hazel, spent Tuesday in Pittsburg.

Miss Rebecca Winer spent Sunday in Monessen with friends.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. William Allshouse, a son.

The office employes at the Valley Crystal Ice and Storage company as a Christmas present for the manager of the plant, J. O. Watson, presented him with a fine Masonic and Elk charm.

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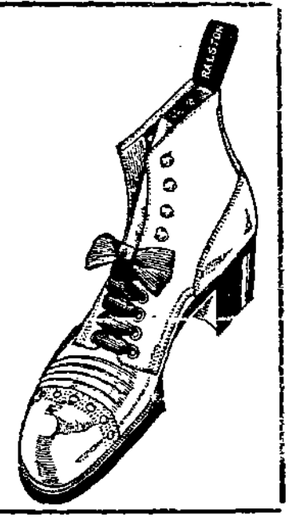

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In 1780 an Army Was Arrayed Against the Ravaging Pests.

Since the days of the pharaohs the locust has been an unmitigated plague. Pliny relates that in many places in Greece a law obliged the inhabitants to wage war against the insects three times a year—i. e., in their various states of egg, larvae and adult.

In 1740 locusts stopped the army of Charles XII., king of Sweden, as it was retreating from Bessarabia after its defeat at Poltava. The king at first imagined that he was being assailed by a terrific hailstorm.

In Transylvania in 1750 the ravages of the locusts assumed such disastrous proportions that the army had actually to be called out to deal with the pests, and whole regiments of soldiers were employed gathering them up and putting them into sacks.

A weird, uncanny looking customer is the locust. The general color scheme of his body is a kind of indefinite green, relieved by pink legs and wings of a whitish color. Two large black unmeaning eyes give an expression of utter imbecility to the insect's countenance.

To atone in a measure for their destructive proclivities the locusts are edible. [illegible] of them. Camels, to which they are given after being dried and roasted between two layers of ashes, look upon locusts as great delicacies.

The flavor resembles that of crabs, and in Bagdad they are consumed so extensively as to affect the price of meat.—Stray Stories.

RIVERS OF ALASKA.

The Waterway Wonders of This Immense Territory.

Were the rivers not navigable there would be little done in the interior of Alaska today. First used by the prospector in his poling boat and the trader with his little steamer, they have become the means of opening up every camp that has been struck in the interior of Alaska.

The Yukon is very shallow at its mouth, which is about seventy miles in width across its delta. There are places 400 miles from the mouth of the river where the biggest Atlantic liners could navigate with ease, for there are soundings which show a ninety foot channel in a mile wide river. The Yukon is navigable for 2,100 miles. The Kuskoquim a sister stream, has been navigated only on the lower reaches, but with its many good branches is believed to have 1,000 miles of navigable water. The Tanana has been ascended for 700 miles and the Koyukuk in excess of that figure. Scores of other streams can be used by small steamers for from twenty five to 200 miles. Altogether it is safe to say there are 5,000 miles of navigable streams in Alaska. The Yukon opens for navigation the latter part of May and closes the latter part of October.

But with all its wealth of gold, its unheard call to toilers of the soil, its mountains studded with gems of riches—the lodes of veins of copper and other materials—this empire starves for the one thing that would make it thrive.—Collier's.

The Name Noah.

Not many persons are sufficiently acquainted with the Bible to know that Noah was the name of a woman as well as of the patriarch. At an inquest in England a female witness gave her Christian name as "Noah." The coroner remarked that he had never before known a woman to bear the name, whereupon the witness who was well posted in the origin of her singular prenomen said.

"It is a Bible name, sir; you'll find it in the last chapter of the book of Numbers."

Reference was duly made, and in the eleventh verse of the thirty-sixth chapter the coroner found mention made of "Mahlah Tirzah and Hoglah and Milcah and Noah, the daughters of Zelophehad."

Betrothals In Germany.

In Germany an elaborate method of announcing the betrothal practically puts an end to all breach of promise cases. As soon as a couple become engaged the pair visit the town hall and declare their willingness to marry and sign, with witnesses, a series of documents which render a change of mind on the man's part practically out of the question. When either party wishes to withdraw from this agreement the pair again visit the town hall and additional documents are formally signed, witnessed and sealed. The authorities then determine the question of compensation for injured feelings, etc.

Ready For the Storm.

"I intend," the poet wrote, "to continue to storm the citadel of your affections."

"Storm away," she wrote back, "but I've just succeeded in getting in out of the wet by becoming engaged to a dear old man who has $9,000,000."—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

The Smaller One.

Many stories are told of Tom Reed's sudden flashes of wit—as, for instance, when Miss Reed struck the earth instead of the golf ball and he said, "Hit the other ball Kitty."—Portland (Me.) Express.

An Instance.

"We don't realize how much a thing's worth till we've lost it."

"That's right. For instance, my life is insured for $10,000."—Exchange.

No man is such a conqueror as the man who has defeated himself.—Beecher.

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As before they will send you a 10 pound pail of finest Creamery Butterine at $2 00. As this is regular 28c Butterine, and cheap at that, you save 80c on each order.

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The third offer takes 10 lbs of Butterine, 5 lbs of 25c Coffee and 1 lb of 50c Tea all for $3.50, or a saving of 95 cents.

A fourth offer includes the 10 lbs of Butterine and 3 lbs of 40c Tea at $3.00, or a saving of 50 c. Take your choice of Ceylon, English Breakfast, Assam, Oolong, Japan or Young Hyson teas.

These values are guaranteed and are certain to please you. Send cash for a trial order to McCann and Co., Pittsburg, Pa. They pay express charges to Charleroi and vicinity.

Notice of Election

The regular annual meeting of the stock holders of the First National Bank of Charleroi, Pa., will be held at its banking rooms on Tuesday, January 10, 1911, between the hours of 2 and 3 p. m. for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of any other business which might properly come before them.

J-10 R. H. Rush, Cashier.

THE HIGH COST OF LIVING

has not affected our job printing prices. We're still doing commercial work of all kinds at prices satisfactory to you.

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Dolls and Toys We have an assortment of Christmas toys and dolls, left from our large Christmas selection, which we are selling at greatly reduced prices. This assortment includes our beautiful and serviceable line of children's rockers and chairs, doll carts and many other useful things, that serve to make the child comfortable and contented.

A General Reduction Throughout our store anything of a Christmas nature is going at greatly reduced prices. Now is the time for you to make your dollars reach as far as you can. If you do your After-Christmas shopping here, you will be surprised how far your dollars will reach.

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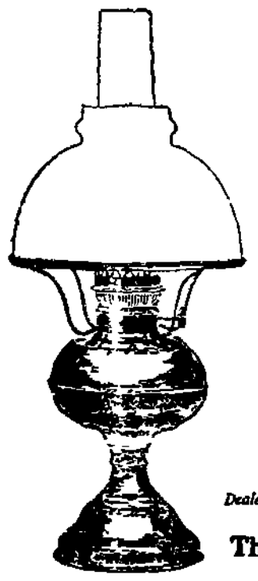

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LOCAL MENTION

Interesting News Items Condensed for Busy Readers.

Mrs. William Vance of near Carmichaels after a visit in Charleroi with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L Reeves of Fallowfield avenue, returned home this morning.

George Anderson and Thomas Marshall of Monongahela were in Charleroi last night to visit friends.

Cresson Carts of Baltimore, Md., is a guest of his cousins, Misses May and Ethel Barth of Washington avenue.

Alexander McKay and daughter, Miss Henrietta of Westville, have been guests of Mr, McKay's son Dr. E. W. McKay of Washington avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. L S. Brown have returned to their home in McKeesport after a visit over Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Flickinger.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Flickinger of Homewood have returned home after a visit in Charleroi with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McDermott of Clarksburg, W. Va., after spending Christmas with their people in Charleroi have returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Elliott of Meadow avenue received a large turkey for Christmas shipped from Artesia, New Mexico. The turkey was raised by the children of Wm. Parks and sent as a Christmas present to their grandparents

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stech went to Pittsburg today for a visit with friends.

Dr. and Mrs J. W. Manon and son Paul are visitors in Pittsburg today at the poultry show

Miss Jennie Elliott is spending the day in Finleyville with friends

Misse Grace and Helen Fleming went to Pittsburg this morning for a visit with friends.

MUCH INTEREST IS MANIFESTED

Revival Services Continue at W. A. Presbyterian Church

At the Tuesday night meeting of the two week's revival at the Washington Avenue Presbyterian church, Rev. Murry C. Reiter of Canonsburg preached on the text of Jesus curing the deaf and dumb man. Special music was furnished by the choir and Warren Kinder sang a solo. The minister in his discourse said in part: "Jesus is our example in all things and he is our pattern in service. Let us look at Christ, discover his method in working this cure and learn of him. Prayer and communion is the condition of power and fitness for service. I tell you friends we Christian people must care—we used to see sin as Jesus saw it, and the church must show the word that it cares. Many a person might cry out and the cry would be the truth so far as any outward evidence is concerned 'No man careth for my soul.' Our depth of feeling will be largely the measure of our success. We must come near to men, and touch them personally with a helpful Christlike touch if we are to lift them away from their sin."

CHRISTMAS CANTATA WILL BE REPEATED

On account of the success of the cantata "Santa's Mixup," produced under the direction of Prof. I. T. Daniel at the First Presbyterian church Monday evening, it will be repeated on next Monday evening. The cantata contains some exceptionally good music and the choruses are much above the ordinary. The argument is an interesting one.

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